

LAVENDER WOOL

By MILDRED WHITE.

Tears coursed down Mrs. Spaulding's cheeks. Keith was going to be married; after that fact there could be nothing. Her son was her world and he would leave her. Mrs. Spaulding could think of no happiness apart from his presence, while the thought of another ruling where she had ruled, sharing where she had shared, was bitter. For Mrs. Spaulding's love, in its absorption, was wholly selfish. Keith had dreaded to make his announcement, yet even before his mother's grief-stricken face it had been difficult to conceal the joy of his own. Babs was such a dear girl; he had known from the moment her clear eyes looked into his that all his mother's remonstrance could make no difference in the determination of his choice. Babs, all unaware of opposition, knew only one code—to be happy and make others happy. This to her was the most beautiful thing in the world. So the coldness of Mrs. Spaulding's manner when Keith took her to call was due, Babs decided, to the slight indisposition which the son had explained prevented his mother from making the visit of acquaintance herself. The girl admired the pillared porch where Mrs. Spaulding frigidly received her, she admired the flower beds in the garden, but her lover's mother was indifferently unresponsive. The only sign of friendliness which, so Babs thought, Mrs. Spaulding exhibited, was when, as the girl was about to take her departure, she complimented her upon her soft wool sweater.

Keith, glancing anxiously into his sweetheart's face, was surprised to find there, not the disappointment he feared, but a certain light of pleasure. "You must be very happy in your lovely home, Keith," Babs had said.

His mother's words were different in tone.

"So that simple little maid is your final choice, Keith?" she asked falteringly, unbelievably. And though he turned away in disapproval, as time passed and his mother saw Babs more and more, her caustic thrusts against the girl became his constant pain.

Babs wondered at little at the frown between her lover's dark eyes and of late her own brows wrinkled in perplexity over his new and strange requests.

"Would she mind not wearing any more that big black hat? It seemed just a shade conspicuous to him."

Notwithstanding all this subservience to her wish, Mrs. Spaulding's attitude, as her son returned one evening from his visit to Barbara, was most forbidding.

"Did you find your sweetheart at home?" she asked mockingly.

"Certainly Barbara was at home," Keith replied.

His mother shrugged her shoulders. "She is so much with that DeVoe person," she said.

For a moment the frown was very evident between the young man's astonished eyes.

"Why, Barbara has never mentioned her name to me," he said.

"Probably not," Mrs. Spaulding smiled. "She may have the sense to know that the 'mention' would not be agreeable. I did not feel exactly honored last evening when Barbara brought her bizarre friend to our door as she dutifully stopped to inquire for my health."

"It was—queer." Keith's eyes were bent somberly on the ground as he strode along.

His gentle Barbara and Lucille DeVoe, with her noisy companions, could meet on no common footing. He hated to be always questioning—disapproving; yet—

"Barbara!" he burst out desperately, as she greeted him with her frank smile, "why do you go to see Lucille DeVoe? What do you find to like in that woman?"

Babs shook her head ruefully. "You never will wait to let me tell you things," she said. "You search out all my surprises. Do you remember the night that your mother admired my sweater? She liked the way it was made, but not the color. And so I thought—she's been having such a cold, Keith, and it's chilly on the porch evenings—I worried a little about her—you see, I love her, Keith, for your sake."

"Yes?" asked the young man, bewildered.

"So I decided to make her a wonderful lavender sweater. Lavender is 'conservative,' isn't it? Miss DeVoe offered to show me how to make it. I had bought my geranium one in her store. Miss DeVoe has the kindest heart. She walked with me the other evening over to your house so that she might be sure of your mother's size. And now the work is done."

"I knew you'd be pleased," the girl said, happily. "Shall we take it over now to your mother?"

And as Barbara made her offering, Keith looked straight into his mother's eyes.

"She went to Miss DeVoe for her lessons in knitting," he said. "Barbara wanted to please you with just the style of sweater you admired. Barbara, it seems, loves you, mother."

"The shade is—conservative—isn't it?" Babs asked anxiously.

And all at once tears filled the mother's eyes and she bent and kissed the girl.

"It's lovely, lovely lavender wool," she said.

Simple Logic.

The earl of Portarlington, who was one of the first to volunteer for service during the railway strike in England, relates the following story: A boy went on duty at one of the London termini, feeling the pangs of hunger about eleven o'clock one morning.

began a vigorous attack on a substantial lunch he had brought with him. A gentleman passing by was moved to remark: "My boy, if you eat much now you won't have any appetite for your dinner." To which the smart little fellow replied: "Well, I guess if I haven't any appetite I shan't want any dinner." The gentleman had no more to say.

Season of Peril.

At this season of the year it is folly to enter your bedroom without turning on the light. Also do not attempt to sit on the edge of the bed unless you are sure the bed is there, for this is house-cleaning time and the women folks may have decided to put the bed on the other side of the room this year, so it is well to be careful, for you never can tell.—Knox Messenger.

Mnemonic for Grams.

Scientific papers are getting to use the metric system of weights and measures more and more, and it has become almost necessary for every one to be able to convert such terms as grams into ounces at once. It is not however, easy to remember that there are 28.35 grams in an ounce. However, if one remembers the sentence,

"It converts one ounce," the figures will instantly recur to the mind. For the number of letters in each word gives 2-8-3-5.

Mnemonics for other terms of the metric system are needed.

KHIVA BECOMES A REPUBLIC

Famous Khanate of Central Asia Has Definitely Rejected the Chains of Despotism.

So Khiva, the khanate in Central Asia through which Col. Fred Burnaby once rode on horseback to the capital, has declared itself an independent republic! That prodigious English soldier and traveler who won military glory fighting outside the endangered square at Abu Klea, in the Sudan, would smile hugely, no doubt, were he able to read the news. For the semi-barbaric city of Khiva as he found it on that famous ride in the seventies, or rather as the Russians found it just two or three years before, to be exact, was filled with slaves captured from the Persians by Turkoman raiders. Its whitewashed houses, scattered amid the clump and poplars, produced a welcome effect, however, after the countless miles of arid steppes which had to be negotiated before it could be reached. Its citizens were those wearily named "vassals" of the Turks, the Cossacks, Kirghiz, Sarts, Tajiks and the Karakalpaks, or Black Bonnets of the Turki tribe whom the caliph would fain gather into the family fold. The khanate is but the remnant of the once great kingdom of Chorasania, over which King Darius ruled by means of his satraps.—Christian Science Monitor.

When it became necessary to erect a new secondary school in Bradford, the rich wool textile center of England, the usual estimates were asked for, and reported, in the total sum of \$500,000.

Socialists, who have a considerable majority on the Bradford education committee, at once decided to break free from tradition, and adopted the idea of buying a suitable seagoing ship for that amount, one big enough for a couple of hundred children. These children will be sent to sea for a six-months or 12-months period, if a subsequent suggestion is adopted.

It is still to be settled whether the ship schoolhouse will remain moored in Bradford canal docks, only going to sea as a freighter during vacation periods, or whether it would not be in the interests of a general education to let the scholars see glimpses of foreign ports, learning their languages among natives, the ship at the same time being loaded with cargoes that would pay full maintenance expenses, probably even of the boarding of the children.

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Mrs. Church—What's the matter with your eyes?
Mrs. Gotham—Why?
Mrs. Church—You seem to be squinting more than usual today.
Mrs. Gotham—Oh, my husband unthinkingly flashed a \$20 bill on me this morning.

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Auto Worked Change.

He used to be a pretty easy-going fellow before he bought his machine. Some days his name would decorate the spare board at the car barn and some days it wouldn't, for he and work were not firm friends.

But now how different. He contracted the automobile fever. The machine was the result. Now, buying an auto is easy. But keeping it running and taking your girl out is another thing. That requires coin of the realm.

He has developed into a terrible shark. His face is now a familiar figure on the North Easton line and if there are any spare trips laying around loose he is right up to the window leaning on both elbows.

We should have made an exception as to Sunday. Ah, that is the day he shines. The little machine rolls merrily along.

"It's worth it at that, to be a millionaire one day a week," he remarked as he unlimbered his portly form after 11 hours' labor the other night on a North Easton hack.—Brookton Enterprise.

Nut Butter Is Wholesome. Cocoa butter, as nut butter is called in England, was not accepted with enthusiasm by the British public when natural butter became scarce during the war, so the food committee of the Royal society made some elaborate tests of its effects on human beings. The New York Medical Journal summarizes the results, which show that slightly less of the fat of cocoa butter than of that of real butter is utilized by the body; it causes no digestive troubles; when consumed in large quantities it has a slightly laxative effect, and in general it is a safe and wholesome food.

Make Your Speech Short. It's a mark of business ability to say much in few words. It saves time. The man at the other end of the wire doesn't want a sermon from you. He called you for facts, not entertainment. If that were on his mind he would go to the theater and get the real thing. Neither does your correspondent want to read a page to learn that you want six sectional cases, quartered oak, dark finish, size 124, grade 290, shipped by express. He wants your order in the fewest words. It saves him time and it will save yours, too. It's a good thing to aim at the greatest conciseness and exactness of expression. You are apt to make fewer mistakes when you can make few words tell your whole story. You will rise in the business world as you are able to do it.

Diet and Energy. The Salvation Army acquires new merit, just as we thought all had been said, when we learn that half of a doughnut will provide lifting power to carry a man to the top of the Washington monument (a climb of 555 feet), and six walnuts will do the same, while three medium-sized olives will see you comfortably half a mile on your way. A single caramel, says a discouraging article in the American Journal of Medicine, supplies energy for a mile's constitutional. Think of the mistaken picnic luncheons that have been laboriously carried in the past. Reflect that six olives and six caramels are all you need to supply steam for a seven-mile walk, and think how casually these men can be eaten sitting over a supper table.

Cotton Gears. Cotton which has been put under hydraulic pressure of from 6,000 to 8,000 pounds and made into gears, produces an article superior to that made of steel. Softer than steel, the cotton gear yields where the steel gear wears under friction.

In Large Supply.

When you start to borrow trouble 'he loan is generally oversubscribed.—Boston Transcript.

Glass-Bottomed Bucket. A curious sight at Palermo is to see the fishermen spearing fish by the aid of glass-bottomed buckets. There are many corners of the world where fish are speared, but perhaps the use of the glass-bottomed bucket in this connection is to be seen only at Palermo.

Uncle Eben. "Dar ain' no use tryin' to bury de hatchet wif some folks," said Uncle Eben, "not as long as dey kin keep dodgin' into de hardware store an' gettin' mo' cutlery."

Legal Notices

Executrix' Notice.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF JACKSON COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON.

In the Matter of the Estate of Bridget E. Williams, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Helen L. Debley, the executrix of the estate of Bridget E. Williams, deceased, has rendered and presented for settlement and filed in said court her final account of her administration of said estate, and the 14th day of August, 1920, at 11:00 o'clock A. M. at the court house at Jacksonville, in Jackson County, Ore., has been duly appointed by the judge of said court as the time and place for the settlement of said account, at which time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and file exceptions in writing to the said account, and contest the same.

HELEN L. DEBLEY, Executrix.

Summons.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON.

SUIT IN EQUITY TO DETERMINE ADVERSE CLAIM TO REAL ESTATE.

Robert Holzgang, plaintiff.

vs. Anne Bishop, James Bishop, Jr., Louis Guhenec, John Guhenec, also known as Jean Guhenec, also known as Jien Guhenec, also known as John Jear, or Jien Guhenec, and the unknown heirs of said named defendants, or any of them, if deceased; the unknown heirs of James Bishop, deceased, and the unknown heirs of John Buckley, deceased, and also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein, defendants.

To the above named and designated defendants, Anne Bishop, James Bishop, Jr., Louis Guhenec, John Guhenec, also known as Jean Guhenec, also known as Jien Guhenec, also known as John, Jean or Jien Guhenec, and the unknown heirs of said named defendants, or any of them, if deceased; the unknown heirs of James Bishop, deceased, and the unknown heirs of John Buckley, deceased, and also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You and each of you are hereby required to appear in the above entitled court and cause and there answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff on file therein on or before the expiration of the time so prescribed in the order for service of summons herein upon you by publication, to-wit: on or before the expiration of six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to so appear and answer, the plaintiff will apply to the court for a default against you and for the relief prayed for in his complaint herein, namely: that the defendants above named and designated be required to set forth the nature of their claims in and to the following described premises, situated and being in Jackson County, State of Oregon, to-wit: the south half of Donation Land designated as Claim No. 42, being part of Sections 22, 23, 26 and 27 in Township 38, South of Range 3, West of the Willamette Meridian, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point 11.00 chains West and 31.60 chains South from the corner common to aforesaid Sections 22, 23, 26 and 27, thence East 46.15 chains; thence North 40.01 chains; thence East 8.00 chains; thence North 25 chains; thence West 64.15 chains and thence South 65.00 chains to the place of beginning; that it be decreed and adjudged that the defendants and none of them have any estate, right, title, lien or interest whatsoever in or to said property or any part thereof and that they be forever enjoined from asserting any estate, right, title, lien, or interest whatsoever in or to said property adverse to plaintiff; that plaintiff be decreed to have a good and valid fee simple title to said property and that different relief as to the court may seem equitable.

GUS NEWBURY, Attorney for Plaintiff, Residing at Medford, Jackson County, Oregon.

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